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AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

From

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To

The Secretary to Government,
Food Department,
Fort St. George,
Madras.

No.Roc. G. 4. 385/49, dated 9.8.1949.

Sir,

Sub: AGRICULTURE - Grow More Food - Groundnut Oil Cake - Effect of decontrol- Report for quarter ending 30.6.1949.

Ref: G.O. No. MS. 6425 Development, dated 29.12.1948.

I submit the following report on the effect of de-control of groundnut oil cake for the quarter ending 30.6.1949.

2. The statement below summarizes the production of groundnut oil cake in the power driven mills in the Province during the first and second quarters which make up the 1st half year during the years 1945 to 1949.

PRODUCTION IN TONS.

Year	January - March	April - June	January - June
1945	62,870	55,947	1,18,817
1946	53,588	49,010	1,02,598
1947	56,623	37,321	93,944
1948	29,888	26,865	56,753
1949	39,120	30,133	69,253

3. There was a steady decline in the production of groundnut oil cake reaching the lowest ebb in 1948. Some improvement is noticed in 1949 but the increase in production noted during the first quarter of 1949 is not maintained during the second quarter although the production is higher than that for the corresponding period in 1948.

4. The rise in the price of kernel without a corresponding increase in the price of oil has been responsible for the low production of groundnut oil cake. It is reported that some of the mills remained closed especially in Nellore, Salem and Mathurai.

5. Scarcity for groundnut oil cake is reported from East and West Godavari, Nellore, Chittoor, Malabar, Tanjore and South Kanara.

6. The price of groundnut oil cake continued

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to reach higher levels. It varied between Rs. 164/- to Rs. 252/- per ton. The prices were particularly high in Tanjore (Rs. 199-8-0 to Rs. 252/-), (Tirunelveli (Rs. 213 to Rs. 252/-) Malabar (Rs. 252/-) and South Kanara (Rs. 200 to Rs. 240/-)

7. As already observed groundnut oil is selling below parity. The ryots have become highly manure minded. The millers are putting up the price of cake to make up their loss in the sale of oil.

8. The quarter under report is also the off season for manuring in the major portion of the paddy growing area and therefore the full effects of de-control have not been felt. The effects may become more pronounced when the manuring season commences.

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G.O. Ms. No. 915 dated 8-9-Ø1949.
Read the following:

From the Joint Director of Agriculture
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(By order of H.E. the Governor)
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Secretary to Government

To the Joint Director of Agriculture.

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